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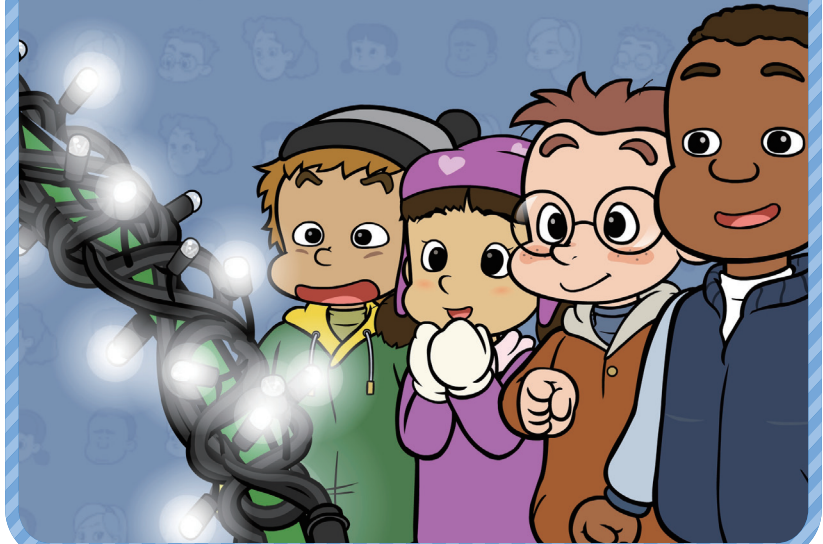
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By the time Nina got to Kids Central, everyone was already hula hooping. “Are we having another hula hoop day?” Nina asked excitedly. “Where’s Izzie?”

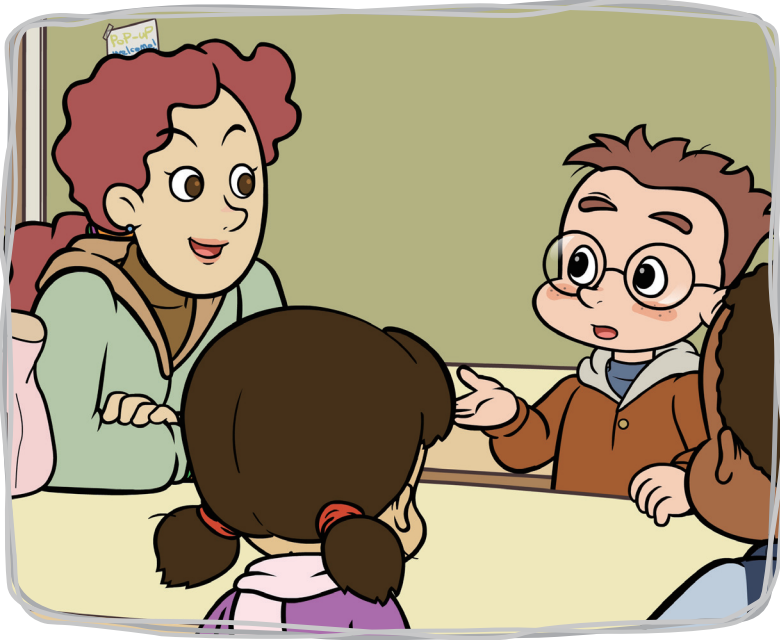
“Izzie wasn’t feeling well. So she stayed home from school today,” Miss Shelly told Nina. “And we are using hula hoops again, but in a different way.”



Nina took off her backpack and sat down between Bobby and Ethan. She smiled at Jason, who was sitting across from her.

“It’s almost holiday season. Did any of you decorate your houses yet?” Miss Shelly asked.

“We put Christmas lights in our front

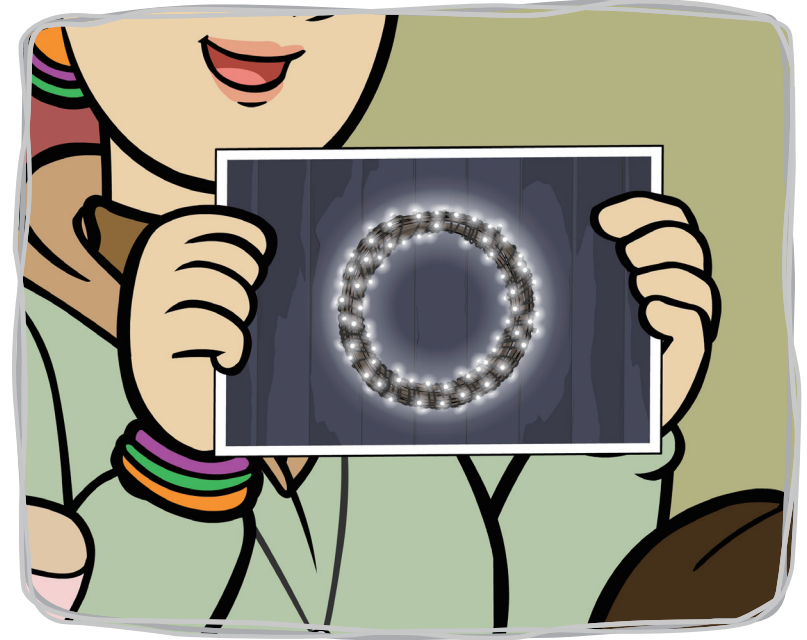


yard,” Nina said.

“We put candles in our menorah,” Jason said.

“We put up a Christmas tree with lights!” Ethan said.

“Aren’t lights and candles a pretty way to spread holiday spirit? My favorite decoration is a wreath of lights,” Miss



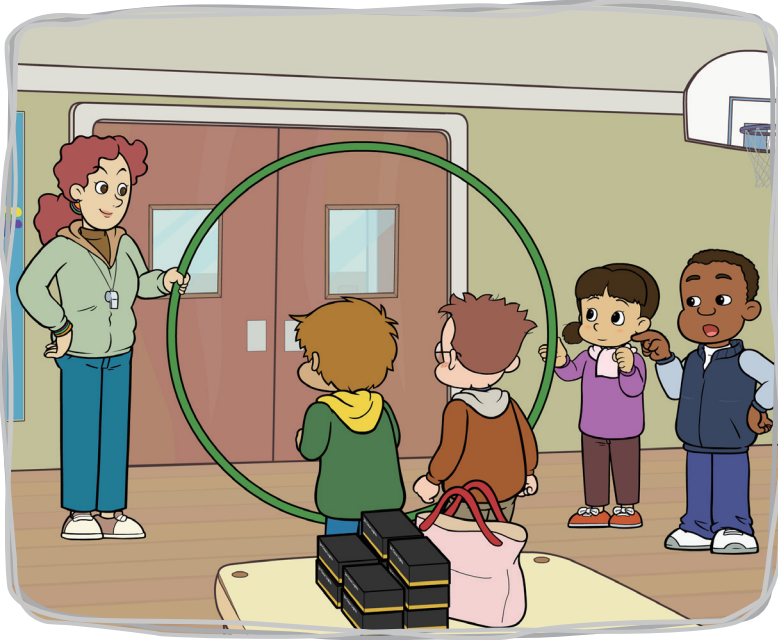
Shelly said.

She showed them a photo of a bright, white wreath. It was made of lights!

“Oh! I wish we had a wreath like that in here,” Nina whispered.

“We will have a wreath like that after today,” Miss Shelly said.

Miss Shelly rolled out the biggest hula



hoop Nina had ever seen. “Whoa! Too bad Izzie isn’t here to see this!” Nina said.

“Is that going to be our wreath?” Bobby asked.

“Yes! We’ll wrap lights around it,” Miss Shelly said.

Miss Shelly opened a box and pulled out a string of lights. “Tape one end to



the hula hoop. Wrap the rest of the string around the hoop. When you’re done, connect it to another string and keep going!”

Everyone worked hard wrapping lights around the hoop. Finally the boxes of lights were empty.

“I can’t even see the hula hoop anymore!”



Nina said.

“Let’s plug in our wreath,” Miss Shelly said.

“Wow!” The kids all cried together.

“I bet you can see it from outer space!” Bobby said.

“Why are the lights out in here?” Ms. Folani stuck her head in the door. “Is

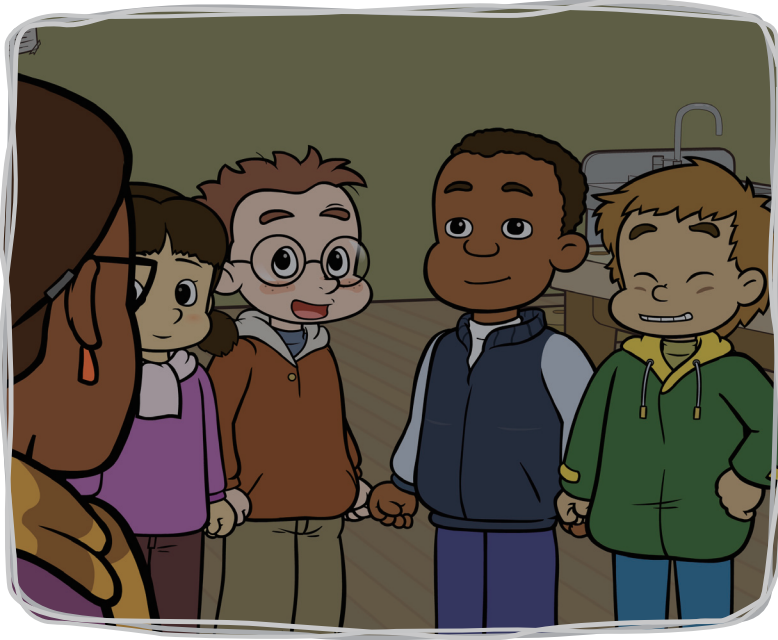


everything okay?

Then Ms. Folani noticed the wreath. “That’s beautiful! Is this the work of Kids Central?” she asked.

“Yep.” Nina nodded proudly. Miss Shelly looked proud too.

“I know a great spot for that wreath!” Ms. Folani said.



“On the front of our school! What do you think?” The principal looked at Nina, Bobby, Ethan, and Jason.

Ethan grinned. “I think it’s a great idea!”

“So do I,” Jason agreed.

“Hey, aren’t you missing somebody?” Ms. Folani asked.

“Izzie stayed home sick today,” Nina



said. “But I bet she would say it’s a good idea too.”

The kids carried the wreath out the front door.

Miss Shelly plugged it in. The warm glow of the lights reflected off the snowy ground. Nina couldn’t wait to show the wreath to Izzie tomorrow.

Things You'll Need



a hula hoop



duct tape

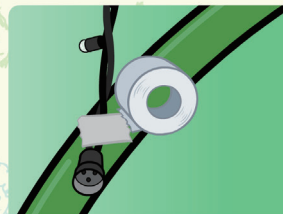


several long strings of lights



an extension cord

Do It Yourself



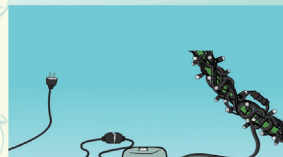
1) Tape one end of a string of lights to the hula hoop.



2) Wrap the string around the hula hoop until it is all used up.



3) Plug the other end of the string into the end of a new string. Start again.



4) Attach an extension cord to your hula hoop wreath.



5) Hang it up, plug it in, and enjoy!